

HEALTH & WELFARE

LESLIE M. CLEMENT - Administrator DIVISION OF MEDICAID Post Office Box 83720 Boise, Idaho 83720-0036 PHONE: (208) 334-5747 FAX: (208) 364-1811

July 1, 2010

MEDICAID INFORMATION RELEASE #MA10-13

To:

Nursing Facility Providers and the Idaho Healthcare Association

From:

Leslie M. Clement, Administrator

Subject:

House Bill 708 & 701 Price Freeze – Intermediate Care Facilities for the

Mentally Retarded (ICF/MR)

Effective July 1, 2010, reimbursement rates paid to ICF/MRs will not be inflated. The Department of Health and Welfare will no longer pay an efficiency incentive payment. The revised dates are for State Fiscal Year 2011 (7-01-2010 – 6-30-2011) and are using audited cost reports for calendar year 2008.

These changes in reimbursement rates are being implemented to comply with the following laws, passed by the 2010 legislature:

- HB701 §12 requiring the Department of Health and Welfare, Division of Medicaid to freeze all price increases unless mandated by federal law and appropriated for the Medicaid program
- HB701 §14 requiring the Department of Health and Welfare to make pricing modifications by adjusting rates that have, in the past, been determined to be overpaid within a Medicaid service category
- HB708 §3 amending Idaho Code §56-113(2) to reimburse ICF/MRs based on a
 prospective rate system using audited cost reports for the calendar year ending 2008
 without cost or cost limit adjustments for inflation.

If you have additional questions about the changes for ICF/MR reimbursement, please contact the Senior Financial Specialist for the Office of Reimbursement in the Division of Medicaid at (208) 364-1994.

Thank you for your participation in Medicaid.

LMC/rk/rs